

# THE ENVIRONMENTAL EDGE

Your edge for environmental issues and knowledge

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We would love to hear from you!!!

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### Welcome to the Environmental Edge

Welcome to the first issue of THE ENVIRONMENTAL EDGE, a newsletter designed to keep you up to date on the latest solid waste and recycling issues facing your county. We are here to help you reach the goals outlined in your area solid waste management plan.

Please submit your ideas for articles, questions you may have, or comments that can help us to make your job easier. Staff contact information can be found at the end of the newsletter.

We hope to make this newsletter a monthly event - some issues will be shorter and not all will be as long as this issue. From 1991 - 2009, the Planning Edge newsletter was our communication tool to address solid waste planning issues. The newsletter stopped,

not because it wasn't important, but because, as in life, things happened that pushed it to a back burner. Now, we think we need to start that fire going again.

With changes in legislation come changes in our viewpoints and priorities, and that includes added emphasis on recycling. And not just "recycling" but the whole mixture that comprises that word in our general world. *Reducing* the amount of waste we produce, either as a manufacturer using less packaging or eliminating our "need" to have the largest or the most or the one of everything that we as a society are used to having. *Reuse* - as the daughter of Marines who also experienced the Great Depression, I appreciate and understand why the majority of those who recycle are those who have been



members of AARP far longer than I have!

### OP-ED

Do you have something to say about our environmental world? Are there issues bothering you that more people need to hear? This can be the forum for that, so send your written piece (up to 250 words) to Catherine. [Guess@ky.gov](mailto:Guess@ky.gov). If you want to remain anonymous, tell us that, and if we as a branch determine the article is relevant and appropriate for inclusion, you can be one of the first! However, if you want your ideas known to belong to you, we will be more than happy to affix your name to your submission.

## Announcement

### Recycling and Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Grants Released

#### RECYCLING AND HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT GRANTS

Do you have something to say about our environmental world – are there issues bothering you that more people need to hear?

It is with great excitement we are announcing the fourth year of the **availability of grants** – recycling grants to build your new or expanding recycling venture or to plan for an annual Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Management event.

Each grant requires a 25 percent match. The matches are usually met with personnel hours or other allowable in-kind contributions, depending on the grant. Of course, the match can also be met using cash although in this economy, most applicants use in-kind matches.

The applications and other necessary information for the grants, as well as the due date for submission, are posted at <http://www.waste.ky.gov/branches/rla/Grants.htm>. Report forms, HHW Handbook, and general information about recycling equipment can found under the same heading on the grants page "Recycling and Household Hazardous Waste Collection Grant Program"

Think you are interested in applying? The

following steps can help with your plan:

1. Read through all the printed material relevant to the grant you are interested in, including the application and handbook or reference materials for either the recycling grant opportunity or HHW grant.
2. Call us (phone numbers and contact names are listed in the application).
3. If you haven't applied before, we are here to walk you through the process.
4. If you are applying for the 2nd, 3rd, or the 4th time, don't assume the format, questions or requirements are the same; they aren't! So, call us. We want to work with you to make your application complete, concise, and well thought out.
5. Prioritize your major needs, whether it is recycling equipment, educational and advertising assistance, or
6. Discuss the project with the governing body as well as the individuals listed as your advisory committee to determine their visions for the area. The advisory committee names are listed in Chapter 1 of your area solid waste management plan.
7. Do you have the location or the building necessary to proceed with your plan?
8. Are volunteers, paid staff or Class D inmates available to assist with your new recycling program?
9. Contact another county or other cities within your county to determine if a joint or regional approach can work best to reach your immediate goals.
10. We have the experience to assist you in addressing your application questions, planning for a new or

the need to collect HHW.



*Household hazardous waste collection event*

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## Announcement

### *Recycling and Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Grants Released* (continued)

adding to an existing recycling program and how best to approach your goals. We will

work together to provide you with the best scenario for your area.  
11. Call the Recycling

Assistance Section staff at 502-564-6716; we are ready to assist you.

## Kentucky Recycling Interest Group (KRIG)

The next meeting for KRIG is Thursday, May 6, 2010 at 300 Fair Oaks Lane, room 301 D, in Frankfort.

KRIG is a public-private partnership organization with over 100 members representing recycling and manufacturing companies, individual citizens, educa-

tional institutions and local and state representatives. KRIG provides a forum for interested stakeholders to network and identify action items to assist recycling and reduction efforts statewide. The Kentucky Recycling Interest Group promotes "zero waste through resource conser-

vation, increased recycling, and waste reduction."

Contact Shannon Powers at [ShannonL.Powers@ky.gov](mailto:ShannonL.Powers@ky.gov) or 502-564-6716, ext. 4631 if you are interested in learning more or are interested in joining.

## Commonwealth Cleanup Week (CCW)

### *Kicking off the Great American Cleanup – Spans March through May*

The 12<sup>th</sup> annual "spring cleaning" of Kentucky takes place March 21 – 27, 2010. Keep America Beautiful (KAB) is providing coupons for free cases of water to spur on the volunteers while cleaning their cities and counties. Only counties that reported their participation numbers to the Local Assistance Section in the previous three years are eligible for the coupons. Contact your Regional Field Office if you

haven't received the coupons yet. The phone numbers for your regional office are listed at the end of your newsletter for your convenience.

Six \$100 dollar prizes are available in a random drawing held in May to honor non-profit organizations who participate.

Learn more about CCW by contacting your Local Assistance staff contact and by clicking on this site: <http://www.waste.ky.gov/>

branches/[rla/ccw/](http://www.waste.ky.gov/rla/ccw/).

Our Web site contains the CCW announcement, contest group participation forms and county cumulative reporting form.

Remember to track all cleanup activities by date and costs through May for the CY 2010 annual report and KAB report which includes all cleanup activities sponsored by PRIDE and Bluegrass PRIDE.

**KRIG Mission Statement** – "The Kentucky Recycling Interest Group (KRIG) promotes 'zero waste' through resource conservation, increased recycling, and waste reduction."



Preparing to pick up litter during Commonwealth Cleanup Week.

**GLAD  
garbage bags  
for cleanup of  
litter on road-  
ways  
are  
NOT available  
for  
distribution  
this year.**

### *Calendar Year 2009 Annual Report*

Local Assistance Staff are combing through the CY 2009 Annual Reports for completeness and accuracy. Local Assistance staff will contact your county if there are clarifications needed to input data into our system.

Deborah Conway, Local Assistance Section supervisor, reported 19 Annual Reports were not submitted as of the publication date for this newsletter. If you are having problems, please contact your staff contact for assistance. The

annual report data is used to gauge each county's progress as well as to provide a forum to determine what assistance, monetary or otherwise, is needed to ensure Kentucky's growth and improvement in environment areas.



### *Statewide Kentucky Division of Waste Management Solid Waste Planning and Recycling Workshop*

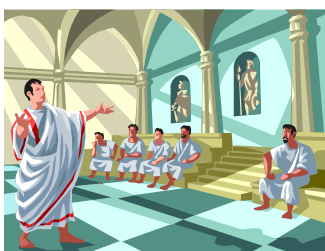
Mark your calendar for June 17-18 to attend the Division of Waste Management Solid Waste Planning and Recycling Workshop in Frankfort. County judges/executive, fiscal court magistrates and commissioners attending the workshop will receive training credit hours through the Department of Local Government (DLG). Actual

hours will be determined by DLG prior to the workshop.

We have a block of rooms reserved at the Capital Plaza Hotel (502-227-5100) under the name of **DWM Solid Waste Planning and Recycling Workshop**. The government rate is \$69 for single occupancy and \$75 for double occupancy. When calling to

make your reservations, please ask for our block of rooms.

Please contact any of the branch staff if there are issues, topics, or other suggestions you may have for the workshop - we welcome your input. Information packets will be emailed as plans progress for the workshop.



### *Looking Forward to Seeing You!*

The Local Assistance and Recycling Assistance staffs are looking forward to visiting your area to address concerns your county or 109 District may have in the implementation of the area solid waste management plan. Recycling staff are calling to set up visits to allow those who re-

ceived grants to show off your recycling program and to assist counties who are thinking of: 1. beginning or expanding a recycling program or 2. hosting a Household Hazardous Waste management event. Planning staff will begin their implementation visits sometime between

the end of June and first of July.

If you want to be ahead of the game, review the activities under each component and provide documentation to show the county's progress for the previous year. Staff will also visit transfer stations,



*We are looking forward to*





The world's first automatically operated wind turbine was built in Cleveland in 1888 by Charles F. Brush. It was 60 feet tall, weighed four tons and had a 12kW turbine.

**Keep America Beautiful (KAB) encourages you to get involved in its 2010 Great American Cleanup™ campaign. Activities are designed to improve the living environments that we all call "home."**

### *Looking forward to seeing you! (continued)*

recycling centers and illegal dumpsites (either cleaned or scheduled to be cleaned). This will be your opportunity to ask questions, add activities to the plan, and learn of activities that may help you in the implementation of your plan.

After the visit, the county will receive a letter outlining accomplishments and a schedule to complete any unfinished activities. Once all activities are complete, the county will receive a letter stating the county is in compliance with the solid

waste management plan.

As always, call with any questions. Planning and recycling contacts are listed at the end of the newsletter.

### *Counties and Recycling and Local Assistance Staff*

County	Recycling	Local Assistance	County	Recycling	Local Assistance
Adair	Shannon Powers	Penny Smith	Clinton	Shannon Powers	Penny Smith
Allen	Shannon Powers	Chris Craig	Crittenden	Tom Heil	Lisa Evans
Anderson	Cathy Guess	Billy Hill	Cumberland	Cathy Guess	Chris Craig
Ballard	Ricky Solomon	Lisa Evans	Daviess	Shannon Powers	Chris Craig
Barren	Cathy Guess	Chris Craig	Edmonson	Tom Heil	Billy Hill
Bath	Ricky Solomon	Melinda Meredith	Elliott	Ricky Solomon	Billy Hill
Bell	Shannon Powers	Billy Hill	Estill	Shannon Powers	Jessica Rowland
Boone	Cathy Guess	Jessica Rowland	Fayette	Ricky Solomon	Penny Smith
Bourbon	Ricky Solomon	Chris Craig	Fleming	Ricky Solomon	Billy Hill
Boyd	Tom Heil	Billy Hill	Floyd	Shannon Powers	Lisa Evans
Boyle	Cathy Guess	Jessica Rowland	Franklin	Cathy Guess	Jessica Rowland
Bracken	Ricky Solomon	Penny Smith	Fulton	Ricky Solomon	Billy Hill
Breathitt	Shannon Powers	Jessica Rowland	Gallatin	Cathy Guess	Penny Smith
Breckinridge	Tom Heil	Deborah Conway	Garrard	Cathy Guess	Chris Craig
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Butler	Tom Heil	Chris Craig	Graves	Ricky Solomon	Lisa Evans
Caldwell	Tom Heil	Lisa Evans	Grayson	Tom Heil	Jessica Rowland
Calloway	Shannon Powers	Lisa Evans	Green	Tom Heil	Penny Smith
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***Counties and Recycling and Local Assistance Staff*** (continued)

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<b>Lyon</b>	Tom Heil	Billy Hill	<b>Owen</b>	Cathy Guess	Deborah Conway	<b>Webster</b>	Tom Heil	Jessica Rowland
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<b>Magoffin</b>	Shannon Powers	Jessica Rowland	<b>Pendleton</b>	Ricky Solomon	Penny Smith	<b>Wolfe</b>	Ricky Solomon	Penny Smith
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### Our Mission

The Recycling and Local Assistance Branch (RLA) provides continuous technical assistance and training to public and private entities on solid waste issues and regulatory requirements and promotes individual responsibility and accountability for proper solid waste management.

Kentucky has a solid waste law commonly referred to as HB 174. The law establishes priorities for proper solid waste management in Kentucky through waste reduction, recycling, proper closure of abandoned landfills, education, proper collection and disposal of solid waste, elimination of illegal open dumps and abatement of litter.



Energy and Environment Cabinet

